

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

1. – 34. (Canceled)

35. (New) A method of operating a mobile node comprising the steps of:

selecting between a first radio access network supporting a first Access Point Name (APN) and a second radio access network supporting a second APN,

wherein the first APN and second APN have different identities and the mobile node makes the selection based upon the identity of the first APN.

36. (New) The method of claim 35, wherein the first radio access network operates pursuant to one of the operating specifications of the group of CDMA, UMTS, GPRS and WLAN and the second radio access network operates pursuant to one of the operating specifications of the group of CDMA, UMTS, GPRS and WLAN.

37. (New) The method of claim 36, further comprising the step of connecting to the first APN.

38. (New) The method of claim 37, further comprising the steps of determining if the connectivity to the first APN succeeded and selecting the second radio access network supporting the second APN in response to determining connectivity to the first APN did not succeed.

39. (New) A mobile node comprising:

a selector configured to select between a first radio access network supporting a first Access Point Name (APN) and a second radio access network supporting a second APN,

wherein the first APN and second APN have different identities and the mobile node makes the selection based upon the identity of the first APN; and

a storage element configured to store the value of the first APN.

40. (New) The mobile node of claim 39, wherein the first radio access network operates pursuant to one of the operating specifications of the group of CDMA, UMTS, GPRS and WLAN and the second radio access network operates pursuant to one of the operating specifications of the group of CDMA, UMTS, GPRS and WLAN.

41. (New) The mobile node of claim 40, wherein the mobile node connects to the first APN.

42. (New) The mobile node of claim 41, wherein the mobile node determines if the connection to the first APN succeeded and the selector selects the second radio access network supporting the second APN in response to determining the connection to the first APN did not succeed.

43. (New) A method of operating a central database visible to a plurality of cellular communication systems, the method comprising

maintaining central database entries which provide the identity of a radio access network to which a UE subscribes in its home radio access network;
and

maintaining central database entries which provide the identities of Access Point Names (APNs) supported by other radio access networks.

44. (New) A radio system comprising:

a core network;

a radio access network; and

a central database;

wherein the core network, radio access network and central database are intercoupled; and

wherein the central database is provided with the identity of the home radio access network of a mobile node and the identities of the Access Point Names (APNs) supported by a plurality of other radio access networks.